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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
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Applicant : M. ASAKAWA et al
Serial No. : 09/813,213
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For : IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
Art Unit : 2624
Examiner : POON, KING Y.
Customer No.: 01933

RESPONSE- 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Species 1, Fig. 9, for further
prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

CLAIMS READABLE ON ELECTED SPECIES

The claims readable on elected Species 1 are claims 1-17.

The Examiner noted that claim 1 is generic.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits
now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

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